

## ACTUARY SHOWS HOW CITY CAN CUT INSURANCE RATE

**Says to Get a Lower Rate, El Paso Must Make Improvements in Waterworks System or Make Changes in Fire Department—Wants 45 Paid Men in Fire Department, and More Equipment.**

The business men of the city will take up the new insurance rates at a meeting scheduled for 4 o'clock this afternoon, and formulate a protest against them. It is the intention to call attention to several discrepancies which insurance men and insurers say have been made by the actuary in gathering data from which to fix the El Paso key rate.

The actuary, however, stands firm in his ruling and writes Mayor Sweeney that the only way in which El Paso can get a reduction is to make certain improvements in the water system and fire department. He shows just how much of a reduction can be secured for each improvement which he suggests.

April 5, 1910.  
Hon. J. U. Sweeney, mayor,  
El Paso, Texas.

A recent inspection of the fire protection of your city by my engineer, Hal Moseley, discloses the fact that there exist a number of defects in the equipment, the correction of which will greatly reduce your key rate, thereby reducing the insurance rate of each insurable risk in your city and thus taking the liberty of directing your attention to the defects and to the charges that can be eliminated in your key rate by making the improvements:

Present key rate \$1.50

**WATER WORKS:**

**Pumps:**

Installation of additional pump at city station of not less than 2,500,000 gallons daily capacity \$ .05

**Pumping Station:**

Replacing present iron clad "Mesa" station with brick and that portion of "City" station which is iron clad, with brick \$ .10

**Water Mains:**

Replacing present 40 percent of mains in mercantile section which are less than 8 inches with 8 inches, or larger \$ .04

Making all mains in mercantile section standard cast iron as per specifications of "New England water works association" \$ .05

**Fire Hydrants:**

Providing additional hydrants so that none in mercantile section will be over 300 feet apart or over 600 feet apart in residence section \$ .03

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

Employing additional full paid men to make required number of 45 \$ .03

Installing additional hose wagon \$ .02

Installing additional hook and ladder truck \$ .02

By bringing fire alarm system up to standard requirements \$ .02

**FIRE MARSHAL:**

By employing fire marshal and adopting standard fire marshal ordinance \$ .02

**POSSIBLE KEY RATE \$ .11**

Copy of the standard fire marshal ordinance may be secured upon request, from the state fire rating board, Austin, Texas.

If I can be of further service to you and your citizens in giving you information as to how to further reduce your key rate, kindly command me.

Yours very truly,  
C. B. Roulet,  
Fire Insurance Actuary.

P. S.—If desirable, the water supply at "Mesa" station may be increased to 5,000,000 gallons per day and by installing additional pumping unit of not less than 5,000,000 gallons daily capacity and building station of brick to replace the present iron clad, thereby reduce the charges of 5 cents and 10 cents under "Pumps" and "Station" respectively. By the method the "City" station can be considered as auxiliary.

## HEARST MAY DO ROOSEVELT START PAPER IN MEXICO OFFEND THE VATICAN?

**Publisher Praises Diaz and His Country and Deprecates Magazine Roasts.**

**WILLING TO PAY  
EL PASO BILLS**

William Randolph Hearst, of New York, who publishes nine daily newspapers in the larger cities of the United States, and who incidentally devotes his attention to three magazines, may establish an American daily with a Spanish edition, in Mexico City. This was his statement this morning.



upon his arrival in El Paso over the National Railway of Mexico from the capital of the republic, where he and a party of guests have visited the last week.

"I'm a great admirer of Mexico," Mr. Hearst stated when he was interviewed this morning in his private Pullman car, Kemble, "and greatly deplore the numerous attacks made upon the republic by American magazines. President Diaz is an earnest and conscientious man and is doing all he can to better conditions in his country. He is one of the greatest men of his time and should be encouraged. I believe that the establishment in Mexico City of an American daily that will help to present conditions and facts as they exist will cement the friendship of the republic and the United States."

He has interests in Mexico.

"So you're seriously considering establishing a paper there," he was asked.

"I think so," was the reply.

"You always got into more trouble," Mr. Hearst continued, "by publishing the truth, than the other side, but I believe that conditions would be reversed in Mexico City. The republic has resources, the development of which has not yet been commenced, and splendid opportunities are offered. I have a number of interests down there but all are well cared for and I expect to continue to control them."

**Dispute With Pearson.**

In reference to the pending litigation between Mr. Hearst and the Pearson interests, over sawmill and timber properties in Chihuahua, Mr. Hearst stated that he was not informed further than that it is a dispute over a boundary line.

"The property was first secured by my father and we have been in possession for the past 25 years, and I suppose we will continue," he said. "The value of the property involved in the dispute, Mr. Hearst stated he did not know."

The purported establishment of a bank in Nogales by Mr. Hearst is another proposition, the features of which he knows nothing, he also stated this morning.

"My business," he continued, "is publishing newspapers and devote but little attention to other things—except politics," and he smiled a broad smile. "I haven't been down to Mexico for two years, and am not as well informed relative to business conditions as I might be. Others attend to that for me. I usually go down every year."

**Hearst and Journalism.**

Mr. Hearst's first journalistic connections were with the Lampton, the Harvard University publication, which he edited back in the eighties. Upon nomination of Cleveland for the presidency, the Lampton appeared as a "yellow" and two brass bands, hired

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**Is Said to Have Held Reception to Free Masons—Austria Is Incensed.**

**GREAT OVATIONS  
FOR THE TRAVELER**

Genoa, Italy, April 8.—Col. Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt arrived in this city from Spezia at 5 this afternoon, 24 hours ahead of their schedule.

**Ovations Everywhere.**

Rapallo, Italy, April 8.—Col. and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, who are driving from Spezia to Genoa, stopped here over night and left this morning for Portofino. Descriptions of the distinguished American have preceded him in every little village along the route and as he is easily recognized, he becomes the object of frequent and cordial demonstrations. This morning the Roosevelts abandoned their carriage for an automobile.

**Did Roosevelt "Make a Break?"**

Paris, France, April 8.—Col. Roosevelt's reception of the Free Masons during his stay in Rome has called forth criticism from a section of the Royalist and Catholic press. The Belair accuses Mr. Roosevelt of working the vengeance of a disappointed tourist and punishing "an ungrateful papacy by bowing down before the ideal of Masonry."

The paper follows with a long and violently worded attack with a special dispatch from Vienna in which the claim is made that the government there has adopted extraordinary precautions to prevent Mr. Roosevelt from "making breaks" similar to those he made at Rome.

**POINTS REGARDING**

**THE CENSUS**

The census begins April 15 and must be completed in two weeks in cities and in 30 days in all other areas.

The enumerators will wear a badge inscribed "United States Census, 1910."

The law requires every adult person to furnish the prescribed information, but also provides that it shall be treated confidentially, so that no injury can come to any person from answering the questions.

The president has issued a proclamation, calling on all citizens to cooperate with the census and assuring them that it has nothing to do with taxation, army or jury service, compulsory school attendance, regulation of immigration, or enforcement of any law, and that no one can be injured by answering the inquiries.

It is of the utmost importance that the census of population and agriculture in this state be complete and correct.

Therefore every person should promptly and accurately and completely answer the census questions asked by the enumerators.

**SECRETARY MACEWAH WILL NOT RETIRE**

Washington, D. C., April 8.—"I have no intention of retiring from the president's cabinet," declared Secretary Wayne Macewah today. "I do not know the source of the rumors which are being circulated through the press, but they are entirely without foundation." Mr. Macewah is in a room at his boarding house.

Flat official denials were also made to the rumor that secretary Knox is to resign. President Taft said he knew nothing of the contemplated resignation. Secretary Knox strongly denied the truth of the report.

**TRAINMEN TO STRIKE**

**UNLESS WAGES INCREASED.**

Cleveland, O., April 8.—Trainmen and conductors on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, Lake Erie & Western, and the Nickel Plate railways, have voted almost unanimously to strike unless their original proposition for a wage increase is accepted.

**DIES FROM INJURIES**

**RECEIVED ON RAILROAD.**

Fort Worth, Tex., April 8.—W. B. Kaye, of this city, who was struck by a Texas & Pacific freight train at St. Louis Tuesday, died from injuries at a hospital here today.

He was on the track and failed to hear the approaching train.

**TICKET AGENT ARRESTED.**

Tulsa, Okla., April 8.—L. L. Viam, ticket agent for the M. & K. T. railway here, was arrested today, charged with embezzling several hundred dollars of the company's funds. The arrest followed an investigation by the road's auditor.

## COMMISSION GOVERNMENT TO BE URGED FOR ALL CITIES

Fort Worth, Texas, April 8.—A national convention to promote the commission form of municipal government is proposed by T. L. Conroy and J. R. Richardson, of San Antonio, who are here today conferring with the Fort Worth city officials.

They say the plan is meeting with favor and in the hope of Texas securing the convention the San Antonians have been visiting various Texas cities.

They said they will recommend a commission form of government for San Antonio.

## Alleged Postoffice Robbers Now Held In New York



Richmond, Va., April 8.—"Eddie" Fay and "Little Dick" Harris, two of the men charged with rifling the safe of the postoffice at Richmond, Va., of about \$75,000 in stamps and money, were arraigned in federal court today and remanded to appear tomorrow to plead to the indictments against them. The trial is set for Monday.

Harris is said to have robbed Hixson's jewelry store of \$10,000 worth of goods about 14 years ago.

## JILTED GLOBE MAN ENDS HIS OWN LIFE

Globe, Ariz., April 8.—Despondent because he was rejected by the woman whom he loved, Louis Gays, aged 21, committed suicide last night. He shot himself through the head. He had been in low spirits the past few days and then made a remark that he would "get the man who cut him out." It was first rumored that Gays was murdered, as two shots were heard from the vicinity of the suicide, but an examination showed self destruction. The side of the head where the bullet entered was badly powder burned.

An inquest will be held this evening.

## GASOLINE SMELL CAUSES INQUIRY

Second Fire in One Week in a Local Rooming House.

Fire destroyed the furnishings of two rooms in the Leland rooming house at 613 San Antonio street, conducted by Mrs. Leona Casey, shortly after 1 o'clock this morning.

Roy L. Heller, one of the roomers, was docketed at the police station on a charge of conspiracy to commit arson, and M. Kirby and Helen Kirby, two women roomers, are held for further examination, the arrests having been made after the fire, by members of the detective force.

The furniture of the building was insured in the name of Mrs. Leona Casey in the sum of \$1000 and an additional \$500 on the piano, though this latter policy expired yesterday and a new one had not been delivered. Sunday night one of the rooms in the same flat was burned.

Mrs. Casey and some of her roomers left the place, it is said, shortly before 7 o'clock Thursday evening. No one was found at the place this morning when detectives called to investigate the fire. The officers say they found clothes which smelt of gasoline.

The building is owned by Mrs. Edith M. Casey and is insured in the sum of \$10,000.

Roy L. Heller was transferred to the county jail this morning.

## DRANK BAYRUM AND DIES LEAVES FAMILY

Graham, Tex., April 8.—Walter Roach, aged 30, was found dead at Megargel yesterday and it is believed death was caused from drinking a large quantity of bayrum. He is survived by a wife and two children.

## STATEHOOD BILL NOW READY

**Beveridge Says It Will Be  
the Best Statehood Measure  
Ever Adopted.**

**MATTERS RELATING  
TO THE TERRITORIES**

Washington, D. C., April 8.—Senator Beveridge has returned from Indiana and brought the statehood report back with him. He is now reading the final proofs. He says he wants to make the best statehood report ever made. He will send it to the printer today and it will be printed tomorrow.

Delegate Andrews introduced bills to pension John Kinchlow, late of companies B and H, Third and 12th Missouri cavalry, \$30 a month; Frank A. Pfeiffer, late of United States navy, \$20; David Kelly, late of companies D and H, Sixth and 15th and 18th Pennsylvania infantry, \$24.

Delegate Cameron has recommended that a mail route be established between Ryan and Fredonia in Coconino county.

**HIGH INCREASE IN**

**COPPER ON HAND**

New York, N. Y., April 8.—An increase of 16,637,000 pounds of copper stock on hand April 1, compared to March 1, is shown by the monthly report of the Copper Products association today.

**STILL IN POLITICS.**

Austin, Texas, April 8.—J. A. Arnold, of Ft. Worth, president of the Texas Commercial Secretaries' association, is here today, and said the association will maintain a legislative bureau at the next session of the legislature, no matter who is elected governor.

**DISCUSSING INSURANCE.**

Austin, Texas, April 8.—E. R. Boyd, of New York; G. W. Fisher, of Chicago; underwriters, are here today conferring with the state fire rating board regarding the re-insurance of railroad property, as the law covering various points is confusing, they say.

**VETERAN DIES.**

Brenham, Tex., April 8.—Capt. Sebastian Burr, a veteran, died late last night. He was born in Basel, Switzerland, and is well known.

**CONDUCTOR ROUTED TWO  
ROBBERS IN WISCONSIN**

LaCrosse, Wis., April 8.—An attempt was made early this morning to hold up the Pioneer Limited on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway between Tomah and Oakdale, Wis. The robbery was frustrated by conductor Shumway.

As the conductor stepped from the buffet car onto the platform of the sleeper, two masked men thrust revolvers into his face. Shumway struck one of the men down with his lantern and as the passengers began to crowd to the door of the buffet car, the highwaymen leaped from the train.

A number of shots were fired at them, but apparently without effect, as when the train was stopped and a search made, no trace of them was found.

The men, it appeared, boarded the train at Camp Douglas. They cut the air hose a few miles further up, and the train had slowed considerably when the handbrake jumped off, after their unsuccessful attempt at robbery.

From Mauston, Wis., comes a report that the robbers took a gold watch and diamond ring worth \$450 from the conductor, and that they went through the dry coaches, holding up the passengers, obtaining considerable cash. The report is not confirmed.

## TEXAS FARES WELL IN HARBOR FUNDS

**Several Slices From Pork Barrel—Galveston Fares Well.**

Washington, D. C., April 8.—The rivers and harbors bill was completed today and contains the following item:

On behalf of Texas the appropriation for improving Galveston harbor is increased from \$250,000 to \$350,000; for the channel from Galveston to Texas city, is increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

One project inserted in the bill is for a canal from Beaumont to Orange and carries an appropriation of \$200,000. It will be reported to the senate Monday.

The rivers and harbors appropriation bill, as it will be reported from the senate will carry \$52,566,000 in actual appropriations of cash and amounts involved in continuing contracts.

This is an increase of \$19,000,000 over the amount carried by the bill as passed by the house.

An increase of \$150,000 is shown in the appropriation for Texas.

**DALHART PUBLISHER SELLS  
PAPER; COMES TO HERALD.**

Dalhart, Tex., April 8.—H. H. Fris, publisher of the Dalhart Evening News, has sold his paper to Thomas Daniel, of Euclid, Okla. Today Mr. Fris and family will move to El Paso, where Mr. Fris has accepted a position with The Herald in the outside circulation department.

**WRECK ON T. & P.**

Baird, Tex., April 8.—The eastbound Texas and Pacific train which left El Paso yesterday afternoon, was held up here today by a wreck. Nobody was injured.

**JILTS RAILWAY CHIEF  
TO MARRY A MINER**

Tucson, Ariz., April 8.—The romance of Ralph S. Stubbs, nephew of J. C. Stubbs, vice president of the Southern Pacific, general freight and passenger agent of the Randolph lines in Arizona, was rudely shattered when a telegram was received by his intended bride's grandmother in this city, saying:

"Madge Martin married Gladstone McElhiney Saturday without my knowledge. Mrs. Martin."

Stubbs was to have gone to New York with his father, who is president of the Nevada University, and his mother, and to have been married to Miss Martin on the 28th of April. Their engagement was announced the first week in March.

Madge Martin was engaged to McElhiney, whose father owns large mines at Guanajuato, Mexico, two years ago. When the young man went to work on his father's property and Miss Martin came west and met Mr. Stubbs at Tucson, she became engaged to Stubbs and returned the other young

## NEGLECTED HOMICIDE CHARGED IN DALLAS

**Bicycle Dealer Accused of  
Burning House and Causing  
a Death.**

Waco, Tex., April 8.—John T. Tyler, Jr., a bicycle dealer, was arrested here today charged with arson in connection with the destruction by fire, Tuesday night, of an Austin street rooming house in which Dallas Dunham was burned to death.

Tyler conducted a store on the lower floor. Under the Texas law he can be indicted for only one offense, arson or negligent homicide, so the first charge was preferred.

His family is prominent.

**FARMINGTON LIGHT PLANT  
SOLD TO COLORADO MAN.**

Farmington, N. M., April 8.—Tim Loftus, of Durango, representing eastern capitalists, purchased the Farmington Light and Power Co., consideration not given. The company owns a valuable Animas river water appropriation, and at present develops 225 horse power.

New machinery will be ordered and the ditch is being enlarged.

Loftus will go ahead with the plans of the old company, and will give Farmington an all day current.

The purchaser is a big contractor of southwestern Colorado. He and associates are on other important deals in San Juan county.

**SWITCHMAN DRINKS ACID  
AND ENDS HIS LIFE**

Galveston, Tex., April 8.—William E. Dunne, 24, a switchman, committed suicide here this morning by drinking acid, in a room at his boarding house.

His brother, Jesse Dunne, is superintendent of the railway department of the Wharf company. A wife and three children survive him in Schulenburg.

## BURROS FOR SHRINERS REACH CRESCENT CITY

New Orleans, La., April 8.—The camel, proverbially associated with the Shriners' order, has met with a rival. A carload of Mexican burros reached New Orleans last night from El Paso to be used by the Shriners of that city during the coming national convention of the order, beginning Sunday.

## A Cruel Blow Of Misfortune

**Melina Favella Struggles Nobly To Support Family**

"Under the bludgeonings of chance,  
My head is bloody, but unbowed."

That the bludgeoning hammer of misfortune strikes with the persistency of the swaying pendulum—mauling the innocent, the helpless, the poor—is true in the case of Melina Favella and her four small children. Like many, the woman and her brood are on the charity of neighbors. But her story is different, showing the power of misfortune, the cruelty of fate.

It has been five years since the woman's husband departed, leaving her with four children and an infant. Like the simple Mexican she went to work, washing and ironing the clothing of Americans for a livelihood. The oldest son, a lad of 16 years, also worked, assisting in the support of the family.

But about a year ago the boy died of overwork and underfeeding, no doubt, still the woman worked on barely enough to make both ends meet in the family. Her next in line, a boy of 12 years, was too young for work, and the youngest, then 4 years of age, a care. The vanished husband did not return.

The next stroke of the hammer of misfortune occurred Tuesday night. Then a fire spread over the tenement, at 110 Fifth street, where resided the Favella family. With others the woman and her four children escaped into the night.

Today Melina Favella with her four small children is on the charity of the poverty ridden neighborhood. She has been assisted her little—as much as possible, no doubt. A roof and a few tertiilas had been all forthcoming. She

has no relatives to summon; her few friends are poor.

**Seeks Aid to Work.**

With the burning of her home went all furniture, clothing, washing apparatus, everything. Now the woman must find work. But she can not work in the old way without supplies of gasoline and soap, scrub boards, and tubs. She has applied for aid to the little Mexican mission at 219 South El Paso street. But Santos Elizondo, the good woman in charge, has nothing to offer. She can only try to find.

This woman, Melina Favella, does not seek charity. She only desires a chance to work; to bend over the tub in slavery for her children; to do her share in cleansing the world as she has done since first it came—the bludgeoning of the hammer of misfortune, the undeserved allowance of fate.

By  
T. G. Turner

## Echo From Skyscraper Herald.

From the Newton (Kas.) Republican.

Mrs. S. E. Norton, who has recently returned to her home in El Paso, Texas, after paying a visit to her sister, Mrs. B. E. Dick, of this city, has kindly sent us a copy of a special edition of the El Paso Herald, which is worthy of note.

In addition to the newspaper itself, which is resplendent in red heads, is a 64 page magazine, named the "Sky Scraper" edition, which impresses upon one the enormity of the buildings of that city, and tells of its many and varied enterprises.

The cover is of good enameled book paper, and presents a picture which would incline you to think you were looking down State street in Chicago, if your eye were not greeted with the words El Paso.

It is a work of art, and an excellent advertisement of that prosperous city, and we are indebted to Mrs. Norton for her thought of an old acquaintance.